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Dear Alvin,

Just a few words, I cannot
afford writing a long letter in
English. I wish you are in good
shape and always in your
cheerful and belligerent mood -

As for Sumner B.D. Berli's explained
to you the situation and I cannot add
very much. I can only confirm my
feelings that it is a very refined
and important story. Let's hope it's
some unexpected event -

I saw Hough in Paris some months ago,
and (of course) he is very high about
our future - Let's hope so -

I am in Rome, now, working with
Lina Venturini and in a few days
I'll go to Sicily, on location -

Ciao, dear friend, I wish you the
best - Good work and serenity

Love to you and to your wife. - To please